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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of prior application No. <u>09/125,122</u> filed on <u>January 4, 1999</u>, entitled PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING NATURAL HUMAN ALPHA-INTERFERON

The term for response or taking action in the prior application expires on November 18, 2001.

- [X] An extension of time for response in the prior application is:
 - [X] filed concurrently herewith.
 - [] has been filed on.
- [] Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ______
- [X] An amendment is enclosed.
- [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.

- [] PTO-1449
- [] Copies of IDS Citations

[x] The amendment fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- *** If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.
 - [X] An Extension of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated June 14, 2001 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(1)-(5)):

	Extension (months)	for other than small entity	Fee for small entity		
[]	one month	\$ 110.00	\$	55.00	
[]	two months	\$ 400.00	\$	200.00	
[X]	three months	\$ 920.00	\$	460.00	
[]	four months	\$ 1,440.00	\$	720.00	
[]	five months	\$ 1,960.00	\$	980.00	

Fee \$460.00

- [X] If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. (check and complete the next item, if applicable)
- [x] An extension for three months has been requested and the fee paid therefor of \$460.00 in the accompanying Amendment transmittal letter, which fee is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$0

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[X]	Enc	elosed		
	[X]	RCE filing fee	\$370.00	
		Amendment Fee	\$0.00	
		Extension of Time Fee	\$0.00	
		Total Fees Enclosed	\$370.00	
	[] []	A check in the amount of \$_ is en Other		
[X]		Commissioner is hereby authorized to posit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies		fee of \$370.00 to our
[X]	com	e Commissioner is hereby authorized to immunication or credit any overpayment et are enclosed.		
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Bunner, B.

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COMPRISING NATURAL HUMAN ALPHA-INTERFERON

October 12, 2001

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is (1) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and (2) an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- 1. [X] Small entity status of this application has been established.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. 2. []
- 3. [] No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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 - 4.(a)[X] An Extension of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated June 14, 2001 is hereby requested. The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.

Extension for response (check only one):

	<u>SMA</u>	<u>LL ENTITY</u>	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
Within first month	[]	\$ 55	[]	\$ 110	
Within second month	[]	200		400	
Within third month	[X]	460	Ō	920	
Within fourth month	[]	720	[]	1,440	

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- [] An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
- [X] Extension fee due with this request \$460.00

or

- (b)[X] In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
- 5. [X] Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-4377 in the amount of \$460.00. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- 6. [] A check in the amount of \$ is attached.

7. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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Enclosures